GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2287 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 31ST JULY. 2018

USE OF POLY HOUSES

2287. SHRIMATI MEENAKASHI LEKHI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE ‡ãðŠãäÓã एवं किसान कल्याण ½ãâ¨ããè be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is aware that use of poly houses for agricultural activities under the controlled environmental conditions is very much popular in many developed countries and it is possible to have high yield and fairly good quality in production of fruits, vegetables, flowers etc., if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that use of poly-houses even amongst those farmers who own nominal land holdings is not popular in the country barring isolated instances despite their great advantage;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE ‡ãðŠãäÓã एवं किसान कल्याण ½ãâ¨ããÊã¾ã ½ãñâ À㕾ã ½ãâ¨ããè (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (d): Yes. The controlled environmental conditions used in poly houses helps the farmers to have high yield and fairly good quality in production of fruits, vegetables, flowers etc.

Production under Poly house is capital intensive therefore to promote usage of this technology among farmers including small farmers, Government is giving assistance for setting up poly-houses/shade net houses under a scheme Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH). Under this Mission for Fan & Pad and Naturally ventilated system Green house (Tubular structure), assistance is provided @ 50% of cost for a maximum area of 4000 sq. mtrs. Per beneficiary. For wooden and bamboo structure green house, assistance is provided @ 50% of cost limited to 20 units per beneficiary and each unit not exceeding 200 sq.m. Since inception of MIDH scheme in 2014-15, an area of 6960.95 ha having a financial outlay of Rs.1097.24 crore has been covered under poly houses.

Assistance for Protected Cultivation including poly houses is also being provided under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) and National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA).
